CLAIMS

What is claimed is:

| 1 | 1. An actuating device for a vehicle clutch, said actuating device |
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| 2 | comprising: |
| 3 | a cylinder; |
| 4 | a stop which is fixed in relation to the cylinder; |
| 5 | a piston which can execute a working movement in said cylinder as a |
| 6 | function of a supply of pressure medium, said piston having a working travel limiting |
| 7 | surface; and |
| 8 | a damping device arranged between the stop and the working travel |
| 9 | limiting surface. |
| 1 | 2. An actuating device as in claim 1 wherein the damping device |
| 2 | comprises a resilient body. |
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| 1 | 3. An actuating device as in claim 2 further comprising a guide sleeve |
| 2 | on which said piston is mounted for movement and a guide ring which centers said |
| 3 | piston on said guide sleeve, said guide ring forming said damping device. |
| 1 | 4. An actuating device as in claim 2 further comprising a guide sleeve |
| 2 | on which said piston is mounted for movement and a seal which seals said piston in |
| 3 | relation to said guide sleeve, said seal forming said damping device. |
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5. An actuating device as in claim 1 wherein the piston has an annular step comprising an axial surface which forms said working travel limiting surface and a 2 3 circumferential surface which is oriented toward a circumferential surface of the stop.

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- 1 6. An actuating device as in claim 1 wherein the stop and the piston 2 form a compression space having a volume which is dependent on the position of the 3 piston.
- 1 7. An actuating device as in claim 6 wherein the stop forms a part of 2 the compression space into which the piston can move.
 - 8. An actuating device as in claim 5 wherein said annular step forms part of a compression space having a volume which is dependent on the position of the piston, the actuating device further comprising a seal which is effective between the circumferential surface of the piston and the circumferential surface of the stop.
 - 9. An actuating device as in claim 6 further comprising a throttle orifice communicating with said compression space.
 - 10. An actuating device as in claim 9 comprising a plurality of throttle orifices communicating with said compression space, said orifices being blocked as a function of the position of the piston.
- 1 11. An actuating device as in claim 5 wherein said circumferential 2 surfaces are conical surfaces.

- 1 12. An actuating device as in claim 11 further comprising an elastomeric ring between the conical surface of the piston and the conical surface of the stop.
- 1 13. An actuating device as in claim 1 further comprising a groove in which the stop is mounted, the stop comprising a radially elastic ring which is mounted in the groove with radial play.